



December 2, 2016

To: Federal Communications Commission

From: Cumby Telephone Cooperative, Inc. CLEC

Re: Forbearance Notification

WC Docket No. 11-42 – Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization

Cumby Telephone Cooperative, Inc. CLEC (Cumby CLEC), Study Area Code 449004, hereby notifies the FCC that it is availing itself of the forbearance granted by the *Lifeline Modernization Order*¹ from the obligation to offer Lifeline-supported broadband Internet access service. Cumby CLEC elects this forbearance relief for the entirety of its service area where it is designated as a competitive eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC). What follows is the information the Wireline Competition Bureau has requested in these notifications.²

1. *Carrier Name*: Cumby Telephone Cooperative, Inc. CLEC

2. *ETC Designation Information*

a. *ETC Designation Orders*: Public Utility Commission of Texas

1. Docket No. 21416, October 15, 1999
2. Docket No. 22592, July 19, 2000
3. Docket No. 30786, April 4, 2005
4. Docket No. 38504, September 13, 2010

¹ *Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization et al.*, WC Docket No. 11-42 et al., Third Report and Order, Further Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration, 31 FCC Rcd 3962 (2016).

² *Wireline Competition Bureau Provides Guidance Regarding Filing Procedures for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Seeking to Invoke Forbearance Granted by Lifeline Modernization Order*, Public Notice, WC Docket No. 11-42, DA 16-1316 (rel. Nov. 22, 2016).



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5. Docket No. 39097, March 8, 2011
- b. *Designating Authority*: Public Utility Commission of Texas
- c. *Type of Designation*: High-cost support recipient (*i.e.*, not Lifeline-only)
- d. *Dates of ETC Designation*: October 15, 1999; July 19, 2000; April 4, 2005; September 13, 2010; March 8, 2011.
3. *Areas Where ETC Seeks Forbearance*: The Excel file that accompanies this notification contains a list of the census blocks, in numerical order by FIPS code, where Cumby CLEC is availing itself of forbearance relief. These census blocks collectively make up the entirety of Cumby CLEC's ETC-designated service area.

Please feel free to contact me at 903-994-2211 or Karen@cumbytel.com if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Karen Zimmerman', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Karen Zimmerman
General Manager